Basemap Research Resources

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Virtual Vault	SPU InWeb	The SPU Virtual Vault can be accessed at the Kiosk at the Engineering Records Center.
Engineering Plans & Records	Virtual Vault or Engineering Records Center 47 th Floor, Seattle Municipal Tower	 The location of the Vault Plan Index (VPI) maps is on the wall. Note the black Page # in the square Check each page for plan numbers within and in a few blocks of your base map location Make a Vault Check-out list. Submit your list of needed plans to the Vault staff and have them pull the plans for you.
Existing Manual Base maps	Virtual Vault or Engineering Records Center 47 th Floor, Seattle Municipal Tower	 The Base map Index book is located in the Vault Find the base map location page number on the index at the front of the book Note the base map reference number of any existing maps in the base map location Submit the reference number to the Vault staff & they will copy the existing base maps. The existing base maps can also be found using the Virtual Vault. (see Virtual Vault above)
Existing CAD Base maps	Engineering Records Center 47 th Floor, Seattle Municipal Tower	 Request staff assistance. Soon the existing CAD base maps will be added to the Virtual Vault.
Microfilm of Engineering Plans	Engineering Records Center 47 th Floor, Seattle Municipal Tower	 All of the plans in the Vault are also available on microfilm All of the Survey Field books are available on microfilm If you need help using the microfilm machine, ask one of the vault staff for assistance
City of Seattle 1/4 Section Maps	Engineering Records Center 47 th Floor, Seattle Municipal Tower	 Look at the quarter section index maps to determine the section number Request maps from the Vault staff
Cloth Water Maps	Engineering Records Center 47 th Floor, Seattle Municipal Tower	 These plans show very old watermains that may still exist Soon the cloth water maps will be added to the Virtual Vault.
Water Book	Engineering Records Center 47 th Floor, Seattle Municipal Tower	 Request staff assistance. In the front of the book is an index, so you can find your area
Sewer & Drainage Maps	Engineering Records Center 47 th Floor, Seattle Municipal Tower	 Request staff assistance. These books look like the water book There is an index on the first page of the book Go to your page and drainage is on the left side and sewers are on the right side

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Survey Books	Engineering Records Center 47 th Floor, Seattle Municipal Tower	 Request staff assistance. Look at the Survey Field Book index cards in the vault. These are filed by street location. These will help you locate all Field books for your area.
Inspector's Books	Engineering Records Center 47 th Floor, Seattle Municipal Tower	 Some of the inspectors books are located in the vault The rest of the books are located off site, so you must ask a vault staff to order it for you. Once you have it ordered it usually takes about a day. Many of the City's plans have construction inspector's record books on file. Typically the plans will have the inspector's book number listed in the title block area. The inspector's book contains daily notes by the inspector for that project taken during construction. There may also be sketches and drawings attached that could be helpful to the base map.
Plat Books	Engineering Records Center 47 th Floor, Seattle Municipal Tower	 Request staff assistance. Use for locating specific information on plats within the city.
Side Sewer Cards	Dept. of Planning & Development (formerly DCLU) 20 th Floor, Seattle Municipal Tower	 Request staff assistance. Locate a side sewer card for each block in your base map location Locate both sides of each side street that intersects your base map location If the side sewer card ends at an intersection, pull the card for the next block Get copies of the front and back of each card, being careful to keep the pairs of copies together. Limited side sewer info is also available on-line at: http://www2.cityofseattle.net/dclu/gis/sidesewer/SSSearch.asp
Side Sewer Permits	Dept. of Planning & Development (formerly DCLU) 20 th Floor, Seattle Municipal Tower	 Request staff assistance. Any type of side sewer work involves a permit from the City. Quite often included with the permit is additional information of the side sewer work including sketches and drawings that could be helpful to the base map. The backside of the side sewer card has a listing of permits related to that portion of street.

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Aerial Photos	GIS Map Counter 20 th Floor, Seattle Municipal Tower	The city was aerial color photographed in 1999.
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Utility Index Maps	SDOT Street Use 37 th Floor, Seattle Municipal Tower	Request staff assistance.
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10 Scale Downtown Utility Maps	SDOT Street Use 37 th Floor, Seattle Municipal Tower	Request staff assistance.
Sky bridges, Utilidors, Underground Tunnels and Fiber Optic Systems	SDOT Street Use 37 th Floor, Seattle Municipal Tower	Request staff assistance.
Area Ways	SDOT Street Use 37 th Floor, Seattle Municipal Tower	If you have any questions regarding area ways contact John Zavis or SDOT Structural

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SDOT Traffic Circles	39 th Floor, Seattle Municipal Tower	Susan Almachar
Seattle City Light	36 th Floor Seattle Municipal Tower	For any plans or information regarding Seattle City Light contact Norm Dodge at 684-3945
Ordinance/ Easement Books	City Clerks Office	 Typically provided by survey On a rare occasion ordinances or easements are added to basemaps.
Gas Maps	Puget Sound Energy	 Puget Sound Energy is the company handling natural gas for the City of Seattle area. PSE keeps updated maps of their natural gas system. Copies of these maps are available from PSE by sending a Gas Map Request form to PSE. See form attached.
King County Metro Plans	King Street Center 4 th Floor	 For any plans or information regarding with Metro contact Jeff Suiter at 684-1302
King County Plans	King County Administration Building 9 th Floor	For any plans or information for King county contact Minnie at 296-6548
WSDOT Plans	15700 Dayton Ave N Seattle, WA 98133-9710	 For any plans or information regarding state right of way plans contact Jim Johnson at 206 440-4026. You must have an appointment. The City of Seattle lies within the Washington State Department of Transportation's Northwest District. The district office is located at 15700 Dayton Avenue North, Seattle, WA 98133-9710, (206) 440-4000. WSDOT plans are available from the district office.
Amtrak	National Railroad Passenger Department 303 S Jackson St Seattle, WA 98104	For any plans or information regarding with the railroad contact Fred Fielder at 382-4146
Seattle Steam	1325 4 th Ave Suite 1440 Seattle, WA 98101	For any plans or information regarding with steam contact Randy Erickson at 623-6366
Parks Department	RDA Building 3 rd Floor 800 Maynard Ave Seattle, WA 98104	 For any plans or information regarding parks department contact Jim Deymonaz at 684-8826 or contact Rex Allen at 684- 7034